GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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DRINKING WATER FOR LIVESTOCK
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have fixed the criteria to sanction the scheme of 70 litre water per day including drinking water for individual livestock in 12 desert districts of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the progress achieved in this regard and the reasons for not providing such facilities to all the districts of the State; and

(c) the manner in which Government proposed to meet the drinking water demand for the livestock in all the districts of the State?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): No, Sir. However the Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Government by providing Central assistance to plan and implement individual Water Supply Schemes under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP)Norms suggest 30 lpcd (litres per capita per day) for animals in hot and cold desert/eco systems in 227 blocks of 36 DDP districts already identified in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka and Rajasthan.

(b)&(c):A sum of Rs.36.52 crores was provided to `Rajasthan during 1999-2000 for Rural Drinking Water Supply Scheme.Out of a total of 104066 rural habitations 65433 rural habitations are fully covered, 35577 are partially covered, by the scheme.